

YARNELL FIRE DISTRICT
FIRE BOARD MINUTES, REGULAR SESSION

December 19, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Arlon Rice called the meeting to order at 10 AM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call of Board Members:

Present were Chair Arlon Rice, Treasurer Richard Mayer, Secretary Carole Ryan. Members at Large: Donna Gordon, Kevin O'Donnell . Ben Palm, Chief , and Denise Roggio in attendance.

3. Approval of Draft Minutes:

A. Kevin made a motion to accept the minutes for the November 21, 2016 Regular Session. Richard seconded. Motion carried by all.

B. Richard made a motion to accept the Executive Session Minutes of October 17, 2016. Kevin seconded. Motion carried by all.

4. Election of Board Officers and approval of positions:

Richard made a motion to maintain current Board Officer positions with Arlon as Board Chairman, Carole as Board Secretary, Richard as Board Treasurer. Donna seconded. Motion carried by all.

5. Reports and Correspondence:

A. Chairman's Report: We will pay \$28,000 for a propane generator, additional Bay and Admin Building roof with the rest paid by the USDA Rural Development Program. We can borrow the \$28,000 from USDA for 2.38% interest which will cost about \$1,500/year or early payment. We received our DNS Training Facility Certificate.

B. Secretary's Report: nothing to report.

C. Treasurer's Report: (See attached)

Richard presented: Profit and Loss, Budget vs Actual and Reconciliation Summaries through the end of November, 2016

General Fund: \$ 28,802.32

Donations and Grants: \$ 45,480.38

Capital Reserve Fund : \$ 1,424.30

Pension and Relief Fund : \$10,626.19

Yarnell Training Center : \$ 2,491.19 . This is non tax related money from our EMT classes.

Wildland Fire: \$ 9,471.09

Carole made a motion to accept this Treasurer's Report as stated. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all.

D. **Chief's Report:** (see attached) . Progress being made on Mutual Aid Agreement with Bagdad, Peeples Valley, Williamson Valley. All radios are on the same frequency.

E. **Safer Report and Grant Report:** (See attached). Denise reported that Safer Grant money is available until March 16, 2018. YFD Auxiliary is focusing on Fire Fighter Safety; new tire needs.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Arlon made a motion to approve Yarnell Fire District Policies 0001-0005 as revised. Richard seconded. Motion carried by all. (See attached).

B. Richard made a motion to approve the position of Battalion chief. Donna seconded. Motion carried by all. This is a safety officer position which will be appointed by the Chief if the Chief is not available. There is no monetary change for this person.

C. Richard made a motion to approve support staff appointments by the chief . Carole seconded. Motion carried by all. These people will need to be able to complete the necessary physical training for this position. Stipend payments will be provided.

D. National Bank has cancelled the Chief's credit card due to 5 fraudulent uses of this card in a 6 month period. Richard, Arlon and the fire dept. still have theirs. All also have Chase cards through the county.

7. NEW BUSINESS :

A. All board members, the Chief and Denise ,will attend the AFDA meeting in Laughlin on January 13/14. 2017.

B. FOAIA correction completed.

C. We will discuss the 2015/2016 Financial Report in January due to current questions .

D. Walt and Dolores Eckes presented a helmet from NYC Fire Battalion 19 to share their loss with us and our loss with them.

E. The Chamber needs a physical address not connected to a business. "Info on the Hill" is merging with the Chamber . It is proposed that our building will be utilized on the weekend if someone is at the desk. They will be charged extra for heating/cooling/electricity/cleaning. Our new leased photocopy machine will have user code number for the Chamber. In the past, the Chamber paid \$600/year for use of our facilities. This will be negotiable for future use.

Richard made a motion to look into Chamber use of our facilities. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all.

F. Meetings for January and February will be delayed by one week due to MLK and President's Day holidays.

8. Call to the Public: Walt and Dolores Eckes (See #7,D above).

9. ADJOURNMENT: 12 noon.

The next regular meeting will be January 23, 2017 in the YFD Admin. Building. This is a one week delay from our usual meeting date due to MLK Jr holiday on January 16.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Ryan, YFB Sec'y